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## **Celtic Soul to headline Return to the Green family festival**

The nationally recognized Irish folk band Celtic Soul will headline this year's eighth annual Return to the Green festival in downtown Greenville.

Also performing at this family celebration of Irish culture will be The Cregan O'Brien School of Irish Dance and the Greenville-based Irish folk band Wilting Banshees. The celebration begins at 1 p.m. and continues to 6 p.m. Sunday, March 9, at the West End Market. Admission is free.

The festival draws thousands downtown to enjoy Irish food and drink, as well as cultural and children's activities. This year's celebration is made possible by Budweiser, WROQ Rock 101/Oldies 106.3, The Irish Cara Club and the city of Greenville Parks and Recreation department.

Return to the Green organizer Marty Flynn is pleased that Celtic Soul, who played last year, will be back at the festival. The quintet combines traditional Celtic music with contemporary rock. Their third CD, Ways, was released in 2002.

"This is a great day out for the whole family," Flynn said, "Great entertainment, authentic Irish foods, interactive children's activities, all concentrated in one central location."

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